

## **SPONSOR'S REBUTTAL TO FISCAL NOTE**

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**Bill Number:** SB 241

**Date Prepared:** February 15, 2011

**Short Title:** Revise Calculation of Physician reimbursement for Medicaid Services

**Sponsor:** Senator Jason Priest

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**Generally, why do you disagree with the fiscal note?**

The fiscal note does not accurately reflect current law, due to the Governor disregarding 53-6-125 MCA in the Governor's Budget.

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**Specifically, what in the fiscal note do you feel is flawed?**

The Governor continued to use 17-7-140, MCA to exclude, in the executive budget, the statutory rate increases for Physician Medicaid reimbursement as prescribed in 53-6-125, MCA for FY2012, FY 2013, and FY2014. (See fiscal note for HB35).

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**What is your estimate of the fiscal impact?**

FY2012 should reflect an expenditure savings of \$3,471,546, general fund savings of \$1,213,756 and federal special revenue savings of \$2,457,789 for a total funding of expenditures savings of \$3,671,545 (See fiscal note for HB35).

FY2013 should reflect an expenditure savings of \$3,992,637, general fund savings of \$1,337,577 and federal special revenue savings of \$2,655,060 for a total funding of expenditures savings of \$3,992,637 (See fiscal note for HB35).

FY2014 should reflect actual savings between current law and SB241 of \$4,341,809 - \$1,194,202 = \$3,147,607.

FY2015 should reflect actual savings between current law and SB241 of \$4,721,517 - \$2,542,440 = \$2,179,077.